

10.10.030 – Notification of police - Removal by towing service - Maintenance and recordkeeping of vehicles by towing service

When an abandoned, lost, stolen or unclaimed motor vehicle or other vehicle comes into the temporary possession or custody of a person in this state, not the owner of the vehicle, such person shall immediately notify the municipal police department when the vehicle is within the corporate limits of the municipality. Upon receipt of such notification, the chief of the municipal police department shall authorize a towing service to remove and take possession of the lost, stolen or unclaimed motor vehicle or other vehicle. The towing service will safely keep the towed vehicle and its contents, maintain a record of the tow until the vehicle is claimed by the owner or any other person legally entitled to possession thereof, or until it is disposed of as provided in this chapter. Those vehicles towed by the municipal police department that are determined by definition to be abandoned shall be towed by the towing service to the municipal storage lot until the vehicle is claimed by the owner or other person legally entitled to possession thereof, or until it is disposed of as provided for in this chapter.

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